Dane County's Older Population

Social and Economic Characteristics

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	Dane County		Wisconsin
Household Income (Householder Age 65+)		Percent	Percent
Income less than \$35,000	12,503	48.5%	65.2%
Income less than \$50,000	17,020	66.0%	80.4%

Persons 65+ with Incomes Below Poverty Level	Number	Percent	Percent
Below Poverty	1,828	4.8%	7.4%
Below 2.0 x Poverty	6,854	18.2%	29.6%

Median Income: Comparing Age Groups	Dollars	Dollars
Total (Householders of all ages)	\$49,223	\$43,791
Householder 65 to 74 years	\$42,557	\$31,328
Householder 75 years and over	\$29,949	\$21,046

Employment Status: Persons Age 65+	Number	Percent	Percent
Males Employed in Civilian Labor Force	3,900	24.0%	17.7%
Females Employed in Civilian Labor Force	2,544	10.8%	9.3%

Educational Attainment: Persons Age 65+	Number	Percent	Percent
65+; Less than 9th grade	4,552	11.5%	17.8%
65+; 9th to 12th grade; no diploma	3,982	10.0%	15.5%
65+; High school graduate (includes equivalency)	13,473	33.9%	38.2%
65+; Some college; no Bachelor's degree	8,117	20.4%	13.7%
65+, Bachelor's degree or more	9,597	24.2%	12.7%

Marital Status: Persons Age 65+	Number	Percent	Percent
Never married	1,513	3.8%	4.7%
Married	21,252	53.5%	52.9%
Separated	2,837	7.1%	5.2%
Widowed	10,764	27.1%	31.3%
Divorced	3,355	8.4%	5.9%
<i>Males</i> , 65 and over, married	11,871	73.1%	71.3%
Females, 65 and over, married	9,381	39.9%	39.9%

Disability Status, Persons Age 65+	Number	Percent	Percent
Persons 65 or older with any disability	13,144	34.8%	36.5%
With a sensory disability	4,467	11.8%	11.9%
With a physical disability	8,538	22.6%	24.1%
With a mental disability	2,623	7.0%	7.6%
With a self-care disability	2,782	7.4%	7.5%
With a go-outside-home disability	6,306	16.7%	17.7%
Age 65+, with disability and income below poverty level	1,091	8.3%	10.6%